

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re PATENT APPLICATION of HART et al.

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Title: EBOLA VIRION PROTEINS EXPRESSED FROM VENEZUELAN EQUINE  
ENCEPHALITIS VIRUS REPLICONS

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Hon. Commissioner of Patents  
and Trademarks  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In connection with the above-identified application, please make the following  
amendments.

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